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DCI SECURITY COMMITTEE MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT SEPTEMBER 1978

- 1. (FOUO) The Committee Staff provided implementation support for security aspects of the Presidential decision to declassify the "fact of" a U.S. photographic satellite reconnaissance capability. This included preparation of a guidance message for the Community on how to handle public inquiries on intelligence satellites following the 1 October Presidential announcement.
- 2. (FOUO) The DCI invited NFIB Principals to nominate experienced personnel to fill two senior level positions on the Security Committee staff on a rotational, reimbursable basis. The positions are those in charge of those branches of the staff which are concerned with a broad spectrum of physical security and of personnel and industrial security matters respectively. The Community Security Group, the Committee's staff, is now located at CIA Headquarters.
- 3. (FOUO) A Community-wide assessment of changes that should be made to intelligence security policies and procedures to adapt them to both the letter and the spirit of E.O. 12065 and its implementing directive is underway by the Committee's Compartmentation Subcommittee. This will consider the need for guidance on such matters as classification guides for compartmented information and sensitive document accountability.
- 4. (FOUO) A draft revision of DCID 1/7 to update security policy on the dissemination and use of intelligence information was prepared and is in the early stages of Community coordination. This ties in with the examination of security policies for maximum conformance with E.O. 12065. The draft is intended to provide for better protection for sensitive information through setting better standards and criteria for the assignment of security controls to intelligence and for its subsequent handling and use.

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5. (C) The Committee staff provided support to who was tasked by the DCI to develop a plan for simplifying compartmentation procedures while continuing to protect sensitive source data.

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- 6. (FOUO) A Committee working group is reviewing the need for and feasibility of a possible appeals procedure whereby those who are denied access to compartmented intelligence may appeal the finding and offer corrective or mitigating information. Such a procedure is being considered in tandem with proposed uniform Community guidelines for adjudication of investigative results for potential access to compartmented data. Draft guidelines to that end are being refined by another Committee working group.
- 7. (C) The Committee was briefed on security plans for the new U.S. Embassy to be built in Moscow, and on the security practices being followed by the Soviets in the ongoing construction of their new Embassy complex in Washington, D.C.